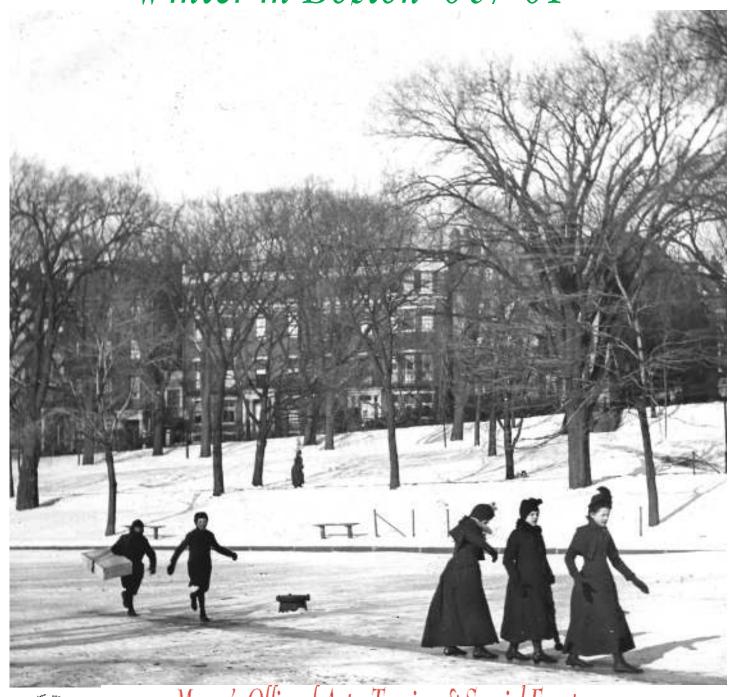
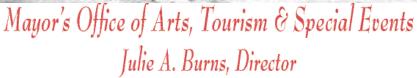
City of Boston - Thomas M. Menino, Mayor Winter in Boston '06/'07









November 15th thru March The Frog Pond

Fun for the whole family, come skate on the frog pond, now open for its 11th season.

Boston Common. Various times. www.cityofboston.gov/parks

November 18th & 19th Fenway Open Studios

Artists in the Fenway area will open their studios to exhibit and sell their works of art.

Fenway. 11am- 5pm both days. www.friendsoffenwaystudios.org

November 19th Macy's Parade On Parade

The Macy's Thanksgiving Parade is on the road for the first time ever with a stop set for Boston's City Hall Plaza. City Hall Plaza. 12- 6pm. www.cityofboston.gov

November 20th Lighting of the Trellis at Christopher Columbus Park

Join the Friends of Christopher Columbus Park in lighting this 260 ft long trellis.

Christopher Columbus Park. 6-7pm. www.focep.org.

November December

November 21st thru January Holidays on Main Streets

Find that perfect gift in one of the hundreds of shops throughout Boston's neighborhood shopping districts. Discover a vast array of handcrafted and imported items from around the alobe.

www.shoppingonmainstreets.com

November 24th thru December 30st The Nutcracker

This beloved holiday tradition takes place on Christmas Eve, 1835, in a small town in Germany featuring the entire Ballet Company and 200 children from Boston Ballet.

The Opera House. Various times. www.bostonballet.org

November 24th

Macy's Christmas Tree Lighting

The evening will include a free outdoor performance by local theater groups and the arrival of Santa Claus. Macy's, Downtown Crossing. 5-6pm. www.cityofboston.gov

November 25th & 26th Old South Meeting House Open House

Explore exhibits, sample refreshments and get holiday shopping done in the Museum Shop all weekend.

Old South Meeting house. 10am-4pm. www.oldsouthmeetinghouse.org

November 30th Boston's Official Tree Lighting Ceremony

Nova Scotia will join the City of Boston to present the tree for Boston's official holiday tree lighting ceremony. It is also the 35th year Nova Scotia has given a tree to the people of Boston as thanks for relief efforts following the December 6, 1917, explosion of a munitions ship in Halifax Harbor. Boston Common. 6-8pm. FREE. www.cityofbosto.gov/parks



December 1st thru December 17th Black Nativity

Based on the Gospel of St. Luke, combined with the poetry of Langston Hughes, this song-play touches a special chord in the hearts of all.

Tremont Temple. Various times.

www.blacknativity.org

December 1st thru December 3rd

Handel: Messiah

Hallelujah for the Holidays! Bring the family and friends and experience this beloved Boston Tradition complete with the "Hallelujah Chorus".

Symphony Hall. Various times.

www.handelandhaydn.org

December 1st thru December 10th **Oliver!**

Based on the Charles Dickens Novel, story of a boy in 19th century London, pathos and drama is a delight for everyone with outstanding musical numbers.

Riverside Theatre Works, Hyde Park. Various times.

www.rtwboston.org

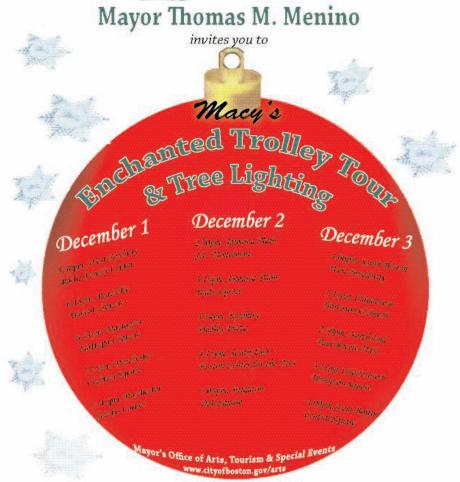
December 2nd & 3rd Beacon Hill Holiday Decorating Days

100+ volunteers needed to help decorate the gas lanterns on historic Beacon Hill with laurel garlands & red ribbons

Contact: 617-227-1922

Shopping for the Holidays MADE EASIER! Free Metered Parking (up to 2 hours) On Saturdays from November 25 to December 30

December December



December 2nd & 3rd Charlestown Open Studios

Artists in the Charlestown area will open their studios to exhibit and sell their works of art.

Charlestown. 10am-5pm both days. www.artistsgroupofcharlestown.com

December 2nd & 3rd 16th Annual Christmas House Tour

Tour five homes beautifully decorated for the holidays. Reception in Winter Garden.

Laboure Center South Boston. Saturday, 4- 6pm; Sunday, 12- 4pm. www.ccab.org

December 2nd Le Marche' de Noel

A unique holiday shopping event with French flair.

The French Library Alliance Française. 10am- 5 pm.

www.frenchlib.org

December 6th Northern Ave. Bridge Lighting

Lighting the bridge for the holidays! Northern Ave. Bridge. 6pm. www.friendsoffortpointchannel.org

December 7th Beacon Hill Holiday Stroll

Holiday shopping, restaurant specials, carolers, Santa photos and more.



Beacon Hill. 5- 9 pm. www.bostonusa.com

December 7th thru December 31st Radio City Christmas Spectacular

One of the great holiday traditions of our time.

Wang Center. Various times. www.wangcenter.org

December 8th & 9th Fort Point Channel Holiday Sale

Fort Point Channel artists exhibit and sell their original works of art.
Fort Point Arts Community.
www.fortpointarts.org

December 8th thru December 17st **Urban Nutcracker**

The holiday dance classic with an inner city edge.
John Hancock Hall. Various times.
www.balletrox.org

December 9th Fete De Noel

Celebrate the Holidays à la Française with themed activities and crafts for children. There will be storytime and a special marionette performance.

French Library Alliance Française.

1-4pm.

www.frenchlib.org





December





December 15th thru December 20th **A Baroque Noel**

Ring in the holiday with this intimate setting and old timeless holiday masterpiece.

NEC's Jordan Hall. Various Times. www.handelandhaydn.org

December 15th thru December 19th **Holiday Concert**

Annual choral concert by the Boston Gay Men's Chorus.

NEC's Jordan Hall. Various times.

www.bamc.org

December 19th Apollo Club of Boston

Holiday songs and Broadway tunes sung by Boston favorites.
Old South Meeting House. 7: 30 pm. FREE.

www.oldsouthmeetinahouse.ora

December 28th thru December 30th Pre- New Years Holiday Pops

Dance the night away. The Boston Pops performs sassy swing to sultry salsa with the Grammy-Award winning New York Voices.

Symphony Hall. 7:30 pm. www.bso.org

with New York Voices



December 9th Holiday Sing at Symphony Hall

Make a joyful noise and sing your favorite Christmas carols with the Handel and Haydn chorus. Symphony Hall. 3pm.
www.handelandhaydn.org

December 10th Christmas Concert

Old North Church. 5 pm. 617-523-6676

December 10th Bill Rodger's Jingle Bell Run

Meet at The Rack located at 24 Clinton St. for a 3 Mile Fun Run and the famous post race party.
Bill Rodger's Running Center Faneuil Hall. 5pm.

www.billrodgers.com

December 10th Family Holiday Party

8th annual family holiday celebration features The Tanglewood Marionettes and the PALS Children's Chorus. Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum. 5pm.

www.isam.ora

December 11th thru December 31 **Boston Holiday Pops**

This holiday season, historic Symphony Hall is the place to be to share in this beloved concert experience with family and friends.

Symphony Hall. Various times. www.bso.org

December 14th

A Holiday Chorale Concert

A Holiday chorale concert, conducted by Danica Buckley.

Old South Meeting House. 12:15-1:00pm.

www.oldsouthmeetinghouse.org

December 14th thru December 17th Christmas Celtic Sojourn

With Brian O'Donovan enjoy an Intimate sharing of Christmas songs, dancing, poetry and stories to warm the winter night.

Cutler Majestic Theater. Various times. www.maj.org

December 15th thru December 22nd Chanukah Menorah Lighting

Friday 15th- 2:30 pm; Saturday 16th-7pm; Sunday 17th- 4pm; Monday 18th;





December 29th - 30th

First Night Create-a-Creature Family Days

Create a costume or puppets to march with in the grand procession. www.firstnight.org

December 29th Celebrate!

A free Performing Arts Program for children presents "Balletrox" and Urban nutcracker.

JFK library. 10am. www.jfklibrary.org

December 31st First Night Family Festival

Featuring entertainment for kids Including face painting, story telling and music.

Hynes Auditorium. 1- 5pm. First Night Button required. www.firstnight.org

December 31st

Radio Disney's Jingle Jam

Family friendly live performance. City Hall Plaza. 11.30am- 2.30pm. www.cityofboston.gov/arts

December 31st First Night 2007

31st edition of a great Boston Tradition. Lively colorful Mardi Gras style parade highlighting the arts groups of Boston. Programs throughout the day featuring the best of Boston's performing arts. Various locations. 3- 8:30 pm.

www.firstnight.org

January 1st

103rd Annual New Years Day Swim

Curley Recreation Center, K Street, South Boston. Swim begins 10 am. www.lstreetcurley.com

January 5th thru February 4th

The Cherry Orchard

Chekhov's final masterpiece in a new

December **January** February



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translation by Richard Nelson. The story of Madame Ranevsky, the irresponsible but hopeful soul who returns from Paris to Russia to find her family's estate on the block at auction.

Huntington Theatre. Various times. www.huntingtontheatre.org

January 15th

Martin Luther King Day National Speaking Program

Remembering Martin Luther King. Featuring....

Faneuil Hall. 12pm. FREE. www.cityofboston.gov/arts

January 26th & 27th Lord Of The Dance

The ever popular Irish dance show comes to Boston led by Michael Flatley.

Opera House. Various times. www.broadwayacrossamerica.com

February 2nd thru March 4th

Beauty and the Beast

Classic Fairy tale.

Wheelock Family Theatre. Various times.

www.wheelock.edu/wft

February 8th thru February 13th Midsummer Night's Dream

One of Shakespeare's most popular and most performed play across the world

Boston Ballet, The Wang Theatre. Various times.

www.BostonBallet.org



Events may be subject to change

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